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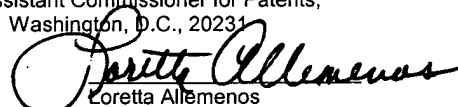
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For: METHODS OF TREATING
CATARACTS AND DIABETIC
RETINOPATHY WITH
TRICYCLIC PYRONES

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION, AMENDMENT
AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2002, please enter the following response and amendment.

In the claims:

Please amend claim 1 as shown:

- A-4
1. (once amended) A method of treating a diabetic complication in the eye comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of one or more compounds of the formula: